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IT APPEARING that procedures and statutes relating to the handling of claims against the State and the payment thereof by the several agencies of the State of Montana have been criticized as inadequate; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that an inquiry into these procedures and statutes would serve a useful public purpose, such inquiry to determine whether said procedures and statutes are furnishing appropriate protection to the State, whether said procedures and statutes are being followed by the several State agencies, and whether said procedures and statutes are in need of revision; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that the Constitution of the State of Montana empowers the Governor to require information from the officers of the Executive Department upon any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices, to be taken under oath whenever so required; that the Governor is further empowered by the Constitution of Montana to appoint a committee to investigate and report to him upon the condition and management of any executive office; that the Governor is further empowered under the laws of Montana to supervise all executive and ministerial officers and to see that the duties of all offices are performed;

NOW, THEREFORE, By the power vested in me, Tim Babcock, Governor of the State of Montana,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that an EXECUTIVE COMMISSION ON FISCAL CONTROL be herewith created, said Commission to be composed of the following persons:

George D. Anderson, Chairman . acct Montan act But Judge W. D. Murray 925 20. Fuely Butte Harold M. Ormseth 723 - Jenney and Helen

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall cause an inquiry to be made into the procedures and statutes of the State of Montana relating to the handling of claims against the state and payment thereof, to report its findings pursuant to said inquiry to me, and to make such recommendations concerning said procedures and statutes as it may deem necessary; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said Commission shall have the power to conduct hearings, call and compel the attendance of witnesses, require the production of records and documents, and to require or perform such other acts as may be necessary to perfect the inquiry herein provided.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Montana to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Helena, the Capital, this <u>23d</u> day of February, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-six.

Tim Babcock

Governor of Montana

ATTEST:

Frank Murray

Secretary of State

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